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Changes in Indian Climatic Trends

3373. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether in their study analysing "Indian climatic trends over the past century ," Scientists from the Indian Meteorological Department have stated that parts of India have become slightly warmer over the past 90 years, but there has been no change in rainfall;

(b) whether monsoons both in the east and west have iately become erratic and at times upsetting.the cropping and harvesting seasons;

(c) if so, whether the Government propose to examine what phenomenal changes are in the offing in the pattern of present seasons; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI. MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is an inherent feature of the monsoon that rainfall varies from year to year and place to place but these variations are well within the normal limits based the long period average.

(c) and (d) The weather and climate over the country are monitored by the India Meteorological Department as a regular activity.

Shifting of P.S.Us. Into Joint Sector

3374. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering to shift some Central Public Sector Undertakings particularly partially sick units into the Joint sector;

(b) what is the conception of this Central Joint Sector Unit;

(c) whether the Government also propose to set up a separate body on the lines of the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) for Sick public Sector Units; and

(d) if so, its proposed set up , functions and likely composition and whether it will have quasi-judicial powers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Outlay Earmarked for Uttar Pradesh

3375. SHRI BHUWAN CHANDRAKH ANDURI: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No.5584 on September 4, 1991 and state:

(a) the outlay earmarked by the Planning Commission for Uttar Pradesh under various heads during each year of the last three years, head-wise;

(b) whether the Planning Commission has undertaken any study to ensure proper utilisation of these funds/outlays; is so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not the reasons therefor?